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MEMORANDUM FOR: USIB Intelligence Agencies

SUBJECT: Defense Intelligence Projections for Planning

1. Defense Intelligence Projections for Planning (DIPP-71)
Soviet Military Forces Through Mid-1980, will be the successor to
NIPP-70. The Director of Central Intelligence and the Deputy
Secretary of Defense have agreed that these projections for planning
are properly departmental, not national intelligence, and that
responsibilities for production should be, and are, transferred from
CIA to DIA, effective with the current estimate cycle.

2. DIA expects to produce a Defense Intelligence Projections
for Planning on the USSR in FY 1971 that will be a direct lineal
descendant of the NIPP series. It will be in the same format, follow
generally the same organization, appear on the same time schedule, and
be produced somewhat in the same manner.

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3. The DIPP will be a DIA document, but it will be produced with the participation of CIA and NSA and of the intelligence components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, State, and AEC. USIB committees — GMAIC, SIC, and JAEIC — will furnish contributions on weapon system characteristics and capabilities, as they did for the NIPP. DIPP working groups will be set up (in lieu of Ad Hoc NIPP working groups) to make projections of forces over the next 10 years. These working groups will be chaired by DIA, but will invite the participation of all interested intelligence agencies. Thus, although the DIPP will not be coordinated throughout the intelligence community, nor approved by the United States Intelligence Board, it will incorporate the views of the members of the community.

4. The DIPP will represent the DIA view as incorporated in the relevant NIEs. Alternative views will be set forth in appropriate footnotes in those cases in which they cannot be accommodated in the DIPP text or tables. The DIPP will be approved by the Director, DIA, upon recommendation of the Military Intelligence Board, and after review by representatives of CIA, NSA, and the intelligence components of State and AEC.

5. DIPP-71, Soviet Military Forces Through Mid-1980, will consist of eight sections, as follows, so as to maintain

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compatibility with the realignment of NIEs that is being undertaken this year. -

I. Intercontinental Attack Forces

(Reflecting NIE 11-8-70 and having 3 sections on ICBMs, SLBMs, and bombers).

II. Strategic Defense Forces

(Reflecting NIE 11-3-70 and having 5 sections on Air Warning and Control, Interceptors, SAMS, Space and Missile Surveillance and Warning, ABMs, and ASW.)

III. Peripheral Strategic Attack Forces

(Reflecting parts of NIE 11-14-70 and having 3 sections on land-based missiles, SLBMs, and bombers.)

IV. General Purpose Theater Forces

(Reflecting parts of NIE 11-14-70 and having 3 sections on Ground Forces, Tactical Air Forces, Military Air Transport Forces.)

V. General Purpose Naval Forces

(Reflecting parts of NIE 11-14-70 and NIE 11-10-70.)

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VI. Nuclear Implications

VII. Military Manpower Implications

VIII. Military Expenditures Implications

6. For FY 1971 the DIPP will follow the same ground rules with regard to levels of confidence as did previous NIPPs. That is, projections will encompass the area of the "probable" (75 percent or greater probability) with high and low limits; show 50-50 possibilities by using "zero" on the low side of projections; and discuss in the text, but not give projections for, possibilities in the 25 percent likelihood range.

7. While the details of the DIPP and its production procedures have not yet been entirely worked out the necessity of producing Section I in September requires that work begin immediately. For this reason, Terms of Reference for Section I, Intercontinental Attack Forces, and Section II, Strategic Defense Forces, are enclosed herewith, even though some changes in the production procedures will probably still be made.

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